wherein said relation definition table contains a second relation type record containing said second relation type and associating said second relation instance table with said second relation type.

The relational database processing system of claim 24 further comprising:

a third relation instance table associated with a third entity type; and

wherein said relation definition table contains a third relation type record containing said third relation type and associating said third relation instance table with said third relation type.--

## REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are deleted. New Claims 15-31 are added by this amendment. New claims 15-31 are supported by at least Figures 5, 6A, 6B, and 7, and the Specification at pages 35-45. Consideration and allowance of these claims is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate early allowance of these claims, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Attorney for Applicant at (408) 453-9200.

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